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SUBJ: KIDNAPPING OF BARBARA HUTCHISON AND OTHERS: VENEZUELA

REFUSES TO PAY RANSOM

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1. VENEZUELAN FOREIGN MINISTRY LATE SEPTEMBER 27 ISSUED FOLLOWING STATEMENT, PRINTED CARACAS PRESS MORNING SEPTEMBER 28:

QUITE. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY OF VENEZUELA STATES, WITH RESPECT TO SUPPOSED REPORTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL PRESS, THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF VENEZUELA IS IN NO CASE DISPOSED TO PAY ANY RANSOM WHICH IS DEMANDED OR WHICH MAY BE DEMANDED BY THE KIDNAPPERS OF THE FUNCTIONARIES OF THE VENEZUELAN CONSULATE IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC AND OF THE OTHER PERSONS THERE THIS MORNING, SINCE THIS CONCERNS A REPREHENSIBLE ACT OF VIOLENCE PUNISHABLE UNDER INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL LAW. WHAT THE GOVERNMENT OF VENEZUELA IS DISPOSED TO DO IS TO CONTRIBUTE WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC TO

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EARLIEST AND MOST FAVORABLE SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM, AS IT IS

ALREADY DOING THROUGH REGULAR DIPLOMATIC ORGANS. END QUOTE

2. AN EARLIER WIRE SERVICE REPORT DATELINED SANTO DOMINGO
SEPTEMBER 27 (ALSO PRINTED CARACAS MORNING PAPERS SEPTEMBER 28)
CITED "DIPLOMATIC SOURCES" THERE AS SAYING THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF
VENEZUELA WAS READY TO PAY THE MILLION DOLLAR RANSOM DEMANDED BY
THE KIDNAPPERS AND THAT IT HAD SO INFORMED THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.
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